

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT NASHVILLE**

TERRY LYNN KING,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	<u>CAPITAL CASE</u>
)	
v.)	Case No. 3:18-cv-01234
)	
LISA HELTON, et al.,)	JUDGE CAMPBELL
)	
Defendants.)	

DONALD MIDDLEBROOKS,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	<u>CAPITAL CASE</u>
)	
v.)	Case No. 3:19-cv-01139
)	
LISA HELTON, et al.,)	JUDGE CAMPBELL
)	
Defendants.)	

DEFENDANTS' UNOPPOSED MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS

Defendants Lisa Helton and Tony Mays respectfully move the Court to stay all deadlines and proceedings in *King* and *Middlebrooks* until the conclusion of the independent investigation that Governor Lee has ordered of the lethal injection process in Tennessee and the timely completion of related corrective action. See Press Release, Office of the Governor, [Statement on Oscar Smith Temporary Reprieve \(tn.gov\)](#) (Apr. 21, 2022) (attached as Exhibit 1); Press Release, Office of the Governor, [Gov. Lee Calls for Independent Review Following Smith Reprieve \(tn.gov\)](#) (May 2, 2022) (attached as Exhibit 2).

As set out in the accompanying memorandum of law, which is incorporated herein by reference, a stay would preserve resources for the parties and the Court because the result of the independent investigation may materially impact future proceedings in these cases.

Counsel for Plaintiffs King and Middlebrooks do not oppose this motion, and if this motion is granted, the attached Agreement Between and Among Terry Lynn King, Donald Middlebrooks, State of Tennessee, and Certain State Officials will take effect. (Exhibit 3).

Respectfully submitted,

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